

Application No. 10/047,122  
Amendment dated January 25, 2005  
Reply to Office Action of August 16, 2004

### REMARKS

By this amendment, Applicant, in order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, has cancelled rejected claims 77-86; thus, the only remaining claims are those indicated by the Examiner as being allowed. Claims corresponding to the scope of cancelled claims 77-86 will be pursued in a continuation application.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the claims, as amended, are patentable. Therefore, this Amendment should allow for immediate action by the Examiner. Issuance of a timely Notice of Allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

To the extent any extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required to obtain entry of this reply, such extension is hereby respectfully requested. If there are any fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which are not enclosed herewith, including any fees required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1068.

Respectfully submitted,

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